

# **The University of Illinois seeks a Senior Director**

The University of Illinois seeks a Senior Director to provide leadership and direction for the Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries in Illinois, CARLI. The Senior Director provides dynamic, experienced executive leadership for academic/research libraries, builds on the deep history and tradition of library cooperation in Illinois, extends the rich information resources, and enhances the skill and dedication of information professionals across the state. The Senior Director is responsible for sustaining CARLI as a vital consortium that is a national leader in library resource sharing and the application and development of information services. Additional responsibilities include:

## **Duties**

- Provide vision and strategic leadership for the organization.
- Ensure the quality and value of the services and programs provided by CARLI to its members.
- Identify and guide the development of new services and programs to meet the evolving needs of the membership.
- Seek the necessary financial resources and identify new funding resources to support the programs of CARLI.
- Sustain the provision of outstanding service to member libraries.
- Recruit, retain, manage, and develop staff within an environment that provides mentoring and support and maintains a strong sense of teamwork.
- Oversee the development of the budget and financial management with the CARLI Chief Financial Officer.
- Consult and communicate regularly with the CARLI Board of Directors and membership of CARLI and provide timely and comprehensive reporting on the activities of the consortium.
- Represent CARLI in person and in communications with a broad range of constituencies within the state, region, and nation.
- Develop and maintain relationships with other consortia, with the leadership of key state agencies and organizations, with potential funding sponsors, and other interest groups or constituencies.
- Represent the needs of Illinois' academic libraries and their users to state officials and agencies, the higher education community and other stakeholders.

## **Qualifications**

~~Candidate must possess a Master's degree in library/information science from an ALA-accredited institution (or international equivalent) or an advanced degree in a related field combined with relevant library or consortium experience as well as a minimum of ten years of relevant experience working in positions of increasing responsibility in academic libraries or library consortia. Other requirements include: executive leadership skills and a broad vision of the challenges and opportunities facing academic libraries; success in managing and motivating staff; minimum of five years supervisory and management experience in academic libraries or library consortia; excellent oral and written interpersonal communication skills and a willingness

to travel regularly within and outside Illinois to promote and represent the interests of CARLI. Strongly preferred qualifications include: Master's degree in library and information science from an ALA-accredited institution or international equivalent; at least ten years relevant experience in budget and financial administration; experience in securing grant funds and successful experience in activities that promote advocacy.

This is a full-time, 12-month Academic Professional position. For full consideration, candidates must apply and [submit a letter of application, resume, and names/addresses/phone numbers of three professional references](#) by March 31, 2016.

The University of Illinois may conduct background checks on all job candidates upon acceptance of a contingent offer. Background checks will be performed in compliance with the Fair Credit Reporting Act.

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